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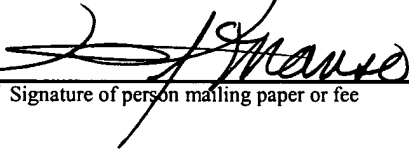
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In re Application of: Jack L. Aronowitz et al.
Serial No.: 09/297,649
Filing Date: September 11, 1998
Group Art Unit:
Title: *Noninvasive Transdermal Systems for Detecting an Analyte*

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Sir:

Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47 - Unavailability of Inventor


1. Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.47 - Unavailability of Inventor - to assign September 11, 1998 as the filing date for the above-identified application for U.S. patent even though a Declaration and Power of attorney has not been submitted in the above-identified application for U.S. patent for Joel R. Mitchen (hereinafter, "Mitchen").
2. Because Mitchen cannot be located, he as a co-inventor of the above-identified application for U.S. patent is unavailable.
3. Mitchen is a named co-inventor on the above-identified application for U.S.

patent. The above-identified application for U.S. patent is a continuation application of U.S. patent application, Serial No. 08/929,262, which was filed on September 11, 1999 (hereinafter, "Parent Application") and assigned to Technical Chemicals & Products, Inc. (hereinafter, "TCPI").

4. Mitchen is a former employee of TCPI and a named co-inventor on the Parent Application. Mitchen executed a combined Declaration and Oath for the Parent Application and assigned his right, title and interest in and to the Parent Application to TCPI.
5. Prior to the filing of the above-identified application for U.S. patent, Mitchen left the employ of TCPI. Numerous, unsuccessful attempts over the past months have been made to contact Mitchen. The undersigned recently learned that the Mitchen's address is: 1813 East Grand Avenue, Lindenhurst, Illinois (hereinafter, "Last Known Address"). The undersigned has sent papers to Mitchen for execution at the Last Known Address. Unfortunately, the undersigned has been advised that Mitchen has moved and left no forwarding address or contact numbers.

Respectfully Submitted,

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